WRITING CONTENT

High School

WR-HS-1.1.00

Purpose/Audience: Students will establish and maintain a focused purpose to communicate with an authentic audience by

- Narrowing the topic to present an idea or theme
- Choosing a perspective genuine to the writer
- Analyzing and addressing the needs of the intended audience
- Adhering to the characteristics of the form
- Applying a suitable tone
- Allowing voice to emerge when appropriate

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WR-HS-1.1.01

In Reflective Writing,

- Students will evaluate personal progress toward meeting goals in literacy skills
- Students will analyze needs of the intended audience
- Students will sustain suitable tone or appropriate voice

WR-HS-1.1.02

In Personal Expressive Writing,

- Students will communicate the significance of the writer's life experience by narrating about life events, relationships, or central ideas
- Students will apply the characteristics of the selected form (e.g., personal narrative, personal memoir, personal essay)
- Students will sustain point of view
- Students will sustain a suitable tone or appropriate voice

In Literary Writing,

- Students will communicate to an audience about the human condition by painting a picture, recreating a feeling, telling a story, capturing a moment, evoking an image, or showing an extraordinary perception of the ordinary
- Students will apply characteristics of the selected form (e.g., short story, play/script, poem)
- Students will sustain point of view
- Students will sustain a suitable tone or appropriate voice
- Students will apply a fictional perspective in literary writing when appropriate

(i.e.- only assessed items)

(e.g.- suggestions not a comprehensive list)

WR-HS-1.1.03

In Transactive Writing,

- Students will communicate as an informed writer to provide new insight through informing, persuading or analyzing
- Students will develop an effective angle to achieve a justifiable purpose
- Students will justify what the reader should know, do, or believe as a result of reading the piece
- Students will apply characteristics of the selected form (e.g., letter, feature article, editorial, speech, analytical lab report, historical journal article, literary analysis) for an intentional effect
- Students will sustain a suitable tone
- Students will allow voice to emerge when appropriate

WR-HS-1.2.00

Idea Development/Support: Students will support main ideas and deepen the audience's understanding of purpose by

- · Developing logical, justified, and suitable explanations
- Developing relevant elaboration
- Explaining related connections or reflections
- Applying idea development strategies appropriate for the form

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WR-HS-1.2.01

In Reflective Writing,

- Students will describe own literacy skills, strategies, or processes
- Students will analyze own decisions
- Students will evaluate own strengths and areas for growth
- Students will support claims about self

WR-HS-1,2,02

In Personal Expressive/Literary Writing,

- Students will communicate theme/main idea through use of literary elements appropriate to the genre:
 - Students will develop characters (fictional/non-fictional) through emotions, actions, reactions, descriptions, thoughts, or dialogue when appropriate
 - Students will develop plot/story line appropriate to the form
- Students will develop an appropriate setting, mood, scene, image, or feeling
- Students will incorporate literary or poetic devices (e.g., simile, metaphor, personification) for an intentional effect
- Students will incorporate reflection and insight

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WR-HS-1.2.03

In Transactive Writing,

- Students will communicate relevant information to clarify and justify a specific purpose
- Students will develop a deliberate angle with support (e.g., facts, examples, reasons, comparisons, diagrams, charts, other visuals)
- Students will develop explanations to support the writer's purpose
- Students will synthesize research to support ideas
- Students will incorporate persuasive techniques(e.g, expert opinion, repetition, rhetorical question, logical/emotional/ethical appeal, allusion)or propaganda techniques(e.g., testimonial, bandwagon, personal attacks) when appropriate

WRITING STRUCTURE

WR-HS-2.3.00

Organization: Students will create unity and coherence to accomplish the focused purpose by

- Engaging the audience
- Establishing a context for reading when appropriate
- Communicating ideas and support in a meaningful order
- . Applying transitions and transitional elements to guide the reader through the piece
- Developing effective closure

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WR-HS-2.3.01

In Reflective Writing,

- Students will engage the interest of the reader
- Students will establish a context for the reader
- Students will communicate ideas and details in a logical, meaningful order
- Students will apply the acceptable format of the genre
- Students will apply a variety of transitions or transitional elements between ideas and details to guide the reader
- Students will apply paragraphing effectively
- Students will create conclusions effectively

WR-HS-2.3.02

In Personal Expressive/Literary Writing,

- Students will engage the interest of the reader
- Students will communicate ideas and details in meaningful order
- Students will apply organizational devices (e.g., foreshadowing, flashback) when appropriate
- Students will apply a variety of transitions or transitional elements between ideas and details to guide the reader
- Students will apply paragraphing effectively
- Students will arrange poetic stanzas in a way that enhances the meaning through the use of white space, line breaks, and shape
- Students will create conclusions effectively

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WR-HS-2.3.03

In Transactive Writing,

- Students will establish a context for reading
- · Students will apply the accepted format of the genre
- Students will develop an appropriate text structure (e.g., cause/effect, problem/solution, question/answer, comparison/contrast, description, sequence) to achieve purpose
- Students will arrange ideas and details in a logical, meaningful order by using a variety of transitions or transitional elements between ideas and details to guide the reader
- Students will apply paragraphing effectively
- Students will incorporate text features (e.g., subheadings, bullets, fonts, white space, layout, charts, diagrams, labels, pictures, captions) when appropriate
- Students will create conclusions effectively

WR-HS-2.4.00

Sentence Structure: Students will create effective sentences by

- Applying a variety of structures and lengths
- Maintaining parallel structure
- Developing complete and correct sentences unless using unconventional structures for an intentional effect when appropriate DOK 3

WR-HS-2.4.01

In Reflective Writing,

- Students will develop sentences of various structures and lengths for effect
- Students will maintain parallel structure
- Students will develop complete sentences or apply unconventional structures for an intentional effect when appropriate

WR-HS-2.4.02

In Personal Expressive/Literary Writing,

- Students will develop sentences of various structures and lengths for effect
- Students will maintain parallel structure
- Students will develop complete sentences or apply unconventional structures for an intentional effect when appropriate
- Students will arrange poetic language in a meaningful order
- Students will apply poetic line breaks effectively

WR-HS-2.4.03

In Transactive Writing,

- Students will develop complete, concise sentences or apply unconventional structures for an intentional effect when appropriate
- Students will maintain parallel structure

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WRITING CONVENTIONS

WR-HS-3.5.00

Language: Students will exemplify effective language choices by

- Applying correct grammar and usage
- Applying concise use of language
- Incorporating strong verbs, precise nouns, concrete details, and sensory details
- Applying language appropriate to the content, purpose, and audience

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WR-HS-3.5.01

In Reflective Writing,

- Students will adhere to standard guidelines for grammar and usage or apply nonstandard for an intentional effect
- Students will apply language concisely
- Students will incorporate language appropriate to the content, purpose, and audience

WR-HS-3.5.02

In Personal Expressive/Literary Writing,

- Students will adhere to standard guidelines for grammar and usage or apply nonstandard for an intentional effect
- Students will incorporate language based on economy, precision, richness, or impact on the reader
- Students will develop ideas through descriptive or figurative language

WR-HS-3.5.03

In Transactive Writing,

- Students will adhere to standard guidelines for grammar and usage
- Students will apply precise word choice
- Students will incorporate the specialized vocabulary of the discipline/content appropriate to the purpose and audience

WR-HS-3.6.00

Correctness: Students will communicate clearly by

- Applying correct spelling
- Applying correct punctuation
- Applying correct capitalization
- Incorporating acceptable departure from standard correctness to enhance meaning when appropriate
- Incorporating appropriate documentation of ideas and information from outside sources (e.g., citing authors or titles within the text, listing sources)

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WRITING PROCESS	
WR-HS-4.7.00	Selecting/Narrowing a topic
Inviting Writing	Connecting to content knowledge
	Creating a connection to prior learning
	Creating an opportunity for authentic connection to student
WR-HS-4.8.00	Establishing a purpose and central/controlling idea or focus
Prewriting	Identifying and analyzing the audience
	Determining the most appropriate form to meet the needs of purpose and audience
	Generating ideas – mapping, webbing, note taking, interviewing, researching, and other writing-to-learn activities
	 Organizing ideas – consider other models of good writing, appropriate text structures to match purpose, various ways to organize information, etc.
WR-HS-4.9.00	Writing draft(s) for an intended audience
Drafting	Developing topic, elaborating, exploring sentence variety and language use
WR-HS-4.10.00 Revising	Reflecting to determine where to add, delete, rearrange, define/redefine, or elaborate content by conferencing with polf, teacher, page (a).
(Content/Ideas)	conferencing with self, teacher, peer(s)Checking for accuracy of content
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	Considering voice, tone, style, intended audience, coherence, transitions, pacing Comparing with rubric criteria and bandhard paper (models)
	Comparing with rubric criteria and benchmark papers/models Considering official and sentences to compare index ideas
	Considering effectiveness of language usage and sentences to communicate ideas

Revising Skills	
WR-HS-4.10.00	Idea Development
	Students will narrow topic for selected writing
	Students will compose a topic sentence of a paragraph that is purposefully placed to enhance
	reader awareness
	 Students will select appropriate supporting details relevant to a specific writing category (e.g., dialogue, predictions, findings from research, needed definitions, causes and effects, comparisons, contrasts, reference to concepts)
	Students will delete extraneous/irrelevant materials
	Organization
	Students will correct sentences that are out of chronological/sequential order or insert new sentences in the correct chronological/sequential position
	Students will compose effective and subtle transitions
	Students will develop effective introductions and closures for writing
	 Students will apply appropriate usage of parallelism (e.g. word forms, lists, phrases, clauses, sentences, organization, idea development)
	Word Choice
	Students will eliminate redundant words and phrases
	Students will apply the most specific word for use in a sentence
WR-HS-4.11.00	Checking for correctness with self, teacher, or peer(s)
Editing	Language usage
(Conventions and Mechanics)	Sentence structure
	Spelling
	Capitalization
	Punctuation
	Documentation of sources
	Using resources to support editing (e.g., spellcheck, dictionaries, thesauri, handbooks)

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Editing Skills	Language Usage
WR-HS-4.11.00	Students will apply knowledge of subject/verb agreement with both singular and plural subjects
	Students will apply knowledge of present, past and future tenses
	 Students will apply knowledge of comparative and superlative forms of adjectives and adverbs
	• Students will apply knowledge of special problems in usage, (i.e., a, an, to, two, too, their, there,
	and they're) and pronoun reference with subjective
	Sentence Structure
	 Students will correct sentences that are run-ons or awkward
	Students will correct sentence fragments
	Students will combine short choppy sentences effectively
	Spelling
	 Students will apply knowledge of spelling patterns, generalizations, and rules to commonly used words
	 Students will apply knowledge of spelling patterns, generalizations, and rules to plural forms of words
	 Students will apply knowledge of spelling patterns, generalizations, and rules to contractions
	 Students will apply knowledge of spelling patterns, generalizations and rules to change verb
	endings
	Capitalization
	Students will capitalize proper noun, days, months
	Students will capitalize the beginning of sentences
	Students will capitalize the pronoun "I"
	Students will capitalize proper adjectives

	 Students will punctuate correctly declarative, exclamatory, interrogative, and imperative sentences Students will use commas in a series, in a date, in a compound sentence, in the greeting and closing, direct address, and introductory phrases and clauses Students will correctly apply the rules of punctuation for commas in appositives, direct address, and introductory phrases and clauses. Students will correctly apply the rules of punctuation for apostrophes in possessives and plurals Students will correctly apply the rules of punctuation for periods in abbreviations and acronyms Students will correctly apply the rules of punctuation for semi-colons in items in a series and in correcting combined sentences Students will correctly apply the rules of punctuation for colons in introducing a list and in a business letter greeting Students will correctly apply the rules of punctuation for quotation marks in dialogue, titles and direct/indirect quotes
	Documentation • Students will document use of sources with a format acceptable to the discipline
WR-HS-4.12.00 Publishing	Share final piece with intended audience
WR-HS-4.13.00 Reflecting	 Reflecting upon Goals as a writer Progress and growth as a writer Who or what has influenced progress and growth Approaches used when composing